



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/929,465

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Title: "Blends of Esters With Isomerized
Olefins and Other Hydrocarbons
As Base Oils For Invert Emulsion
Oil Muds"

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Examiner: **TUCKER, PHILIP C.**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

A three month extension of time is believed needed for this response and a check for payment of same is enclosed. In the event that the check cannot be found attached or is insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee to undersigned's deposit account, 50-0807. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account with any fees due for the amendments herein, although no such fees are believed to be due.

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 21, 2005, please amend this application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper;
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper; and
- **Summary** begins on page 12 of this paper